

Subpart S—Standards of Performance for Primary Aluminum Reduction Plants

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§ 60.190 Applicability and designation of affected facility.

(a) The affected facilities in primary aluminum reduction plants to which this subpart applies are potroom groups and anode bake plants.

(b) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section, any affected facility under paragraph (a) of this section that commences construction or modification after October 23, 1974, is subject to the requirements of this subpart.

(c) An owner or operator of an affected facility under paragraph (a) of this section may elect to comply with the requirements of this subpart or the requirements of subpart LL of part 63 of this chapter.

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§ 60.191 Definitions.

As used in this subpart, all terms not defined herein shall have the meaning given them in the Act and in subpart A of this part.

Aluminum equivalent means an amount of aluminum which can be produced from a Mg of anodes produced by an anode bake plant as determined by § 60.195(g).

Anode bake plant means a facility which produces carbon anodes for use in a primary aluminum reduction plant.

Potroom means a building unit which houses a group of electrolytic cells in which aluminum is produced.

Potroom group means an uncontrolled potroom, a potroom which is controlled individually, or a group of potrooms or potroom segments ducted to a common control system.

Primary aluminum reduction plant means any facility manufacturing aluminum by electrolytic reduction.

Primary control system means an air pollution control system designed to remove gaseous and particulate

fluorides from exhaust gases which are captured at the cell.

Roof monitor means that portion of the roof of a potroom where gases not captured at the cell exit from the potroom.

Total fluorides means elemental fluorine and all fluoride compounds as measured by reference methods specified in § 60.195 or by equivalent or alternative methods (see § 60.8(b)).

§ 60.192 Standard for fluorides.

(a) On and after the date on which the initial performance test required to be conducted by § 60.8 is completed, no owner or operator subject to the provisions of this subpart shall cause to be discharged into the atmosphere from any affected facility any gases containing total fluorides, as measured according to § 60.8 above, in excess of:

(1) 1.0 kg/Mg (2.0 lb/ton) of aluminum produced for potroom groups at Soderberg plants; except that emissions between 1.0 kg/Mg and 1.3 kg/Mg (2.6 lb/ton) will be considered in compliance if the owner or operator demonstrates that exemplary operation and maintenance procedures were used with respect to the emission control system and that proper control equipment was operating at the affected facility during the performance tests;

(2) 0.95 kg/Mg (1.9 lb/ton) of aluminum produced for potroom groups at prebake plants; except that emissions between 0.95 kg/Mg and 1.25 kg/Mg (2.5 lb/ton) will be considered in compliance if the owner or operator demonstrates that exemplary operation and maintenance procedures were used with respect to the emission control system and that proper control equipment was operating at the affected facility during the performance test; and

(3) 0.05 kg/Mg (0.1 lb/ton) of aluminum equivalent for anode bake plants.

(b) Within 30 days of any performance test which reveals emissions which fall between the 1.0 kg/Mg and 1.3 kg/Mg levels in paragraph (a)(1) of this section or between the 0.95 kg/Mg and 1.25 kg/Mg levels in paragraph (a)(2) of this section, the owner or operator shall submit a report indicating whether all necessary control devices were on-line and operating properly during the performance test, describing the operating

and maintenance procedures followed, and setting forth any explanation for the excess emissions, to the Director of the Enforcement Division of the appropriate EPA Regional Office.

§ 60.193 Standard for visible emissions.

(a) On and after the date on which the performance test required to be conducted by § 60.8 is completed, no owner or operator subject to the provisions of this subpart shall cause to be discharged into the atmosphere:

(1) From any potroom group any gases which exhibit 10 percent opacity or greater, or

(2) From any anode bake plant any gases which exhibit 20 percent opacity or greater.

§ 60.194 Monitoring of operations.

(a) The owner or operator of any affected facility subject to the provisions of this subpart shall install, calibrate, maintain, and operate monitoring devices which can be used to determine daily the weight of aluminum and anode produced. The weighing devices shall have an accuracy of ± 5 percent over their operating range.

(b) The owner or operator of any affected facility shall maintain a record of daily production rates of aluminum and anodes, raw material feed rates, and cell or potline voltages.

(c) Following the initial performance test as required under § 60.8(a), an owner or operator shall conduct a performance test at least once each month during the life of the affected facility, except when malfunctions prevent representative sampling, as provided under § 60.8(c). The owner or operator shall give the Administrator at least 15 days advance notice of each test. The Administrator may require additional testing under section 114 of the Clean Air Act.

(d) An owner or operator may petition the Administrator to establish an alternative testing requirement that requires testing less frequently than once each month for a primary control system or an anode bake plant. If the owner or operator show that emissions from the primary control system or the anode bake plant have low variability during day-to-day operations, the Administrator may establish such an al-

ternative testing requirement. The alternative testing requirement shall include a testing schedule and, in the case of a primary control system, the method to be used to determine primary control system emissions for the purpose of performance tests. The Administrator shall publish the alternative testing requirement in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

(1) Alternative testing requirements are established for Anaconda Aluminum Company's Sebree plant in Henderson, Kentucky: The anode bake plant and primary control system are to be tested once a year rather than once a month.

(2) Alternative testing requirements are established for Alumax of South Carolina's Mt. Holly Plant in Mt. Holly, South Carolina: The anode bake plant and primary control system are to be tested once a year rather than once a month.

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§ 60.195 Test methods and procedures.

(a) In conducting the performance tests required in § 60.8, the owner or operator shall use as reference methods and procedures the test methods in appendix A of this part or other methods and procedures as specified in this section, except as provided in § 60.8(b).

(b) The owner or operator shall determine compliance with the total fluorides and visible emission standards in §§ 60.192 and 60.193 as follows:

(1) The emission rate (E_p) of total fluorides from potroom groups shall be computed for each run using the following equation:

$$E_p = [(C_s Q_{sd})_1 + (C_s Q_{sd})_2] / (P K)$$

where:

E_p = emission rate of total fluorides from a potroom group, kg/Mg (lb/ton).

C_s = concentration of total fluorides, mg/dscm (mg/dscf).

Q_{sd} = volumetric flow rate of effluent gas, dscm/hr (dscf/hr).

P = aluminum production rate, Mg/hr (ton/hr).

K = conversion factor, 10^6 mg/kg (453,600 mg/lb).

1 = subscript for primary control system effluent gas.

2 = subscript for secondary control system or roof monitor effluent gas.

(2) The emission rate (E_b) of total fluorides from anode bake plants shall

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be computed for each run using the following equation:

$$E_b = (C_s Q_{sd}) / (P_e K)$$

where:

E_b =emission rate of total fluorides, kg/Mg (lb/ton) of aluminum equivalent.

C_s =concentration of total fluorides, mg/dscm (mg/dscf).

Q_{sd} =volumetric flow rate of effluent gas, dscm/hr (dscf/hr).

P_e =aluminum equivalent for anode production rate, Mg/hr (ton/hr).

K =conversion factor, 10^6 mg/kg (453,600 mg/lb).

(3) Methods 13A or 13B shall be used for ducts or stacks, and Method 14 for roof monitors not employing stacks or pollutant collection systems, to determine the total fluorides concentration (C_s) and volumetric flow rate (Q_{sd}) of the effluent gas. The sampling time and sample volume for each run shall be at least 8 hours and 6.80 dscm (240 dscf) for potroom groups and at least 4 hours and 3.40 dscm (120 dscf) for anode bake plants.

(4) The monitoring devices of §60.194(a) shall be used to determine the daily weight of aluminum and anode produced.

(i) The aluminum production rate (P) shall be determined by dividing 720 hours into the weight of aluminum tapped from the affected facility during a period of 30 days before and including the final run of a performance test.

(ii) The aluminum equivalent production rate (P_e) for anodes shall be determined as 2 times the average weight of anode produced during a representative oven cycle divided by the cycle time. An owner or operator may establish a multiplication factor other than 2 by submitting production records of the amount of aluminum produced and the concurrent weight of anodes consumed by the potrooms.

(5) Method 9 and the procedures in §60.11 shall be used to determine opacity.

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